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*Mayor Sharpe James*

*Councilman Luis A. Quintana  
and the  
Members of the  
Newark Municipal Council*

*Welcome You to the  
9<sup>th</sup> Annual Newark  
“Feast of the Three Kings”  
A Day of Culture, Love and Rejoicing*



*“El Día De Los Tres Reyes Magos”  
“Un Dia de Cultura Amor y Alegria”*

*Sunday, January 5, 2003  
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.*

*Essex County College Gymnasium  
West Market Street - Newark, NJ*

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### THREE KING'S DAY

There is a Christmas festival that takes place on January 6. In certain countries of Europe it is known as Little Christmas. In most of the Spanish speaking countries it is called Three Kings' Day. Children wait eagerly for this holiday to receive toys and goodies.

The Three Kings are sometimes called the Three Wise Men or the Magi, meaning priests. They followed a star that shined brightly in the sky, a star that led to Bethlehem and to the infant Jesus. They brought rich gifts to baby Jesus, whom they worshipped as the "Newborn King." He was only twelve days old and that is why Three Kings' Day is celebrated exactly on January 6.

The Three Kings are named Melchor, Gaspar and Balthazar. Melchor was the oldest of the three kings, and he was emperor of Arabia. He presented the gift of gold, which means love. King Gaspar was the youngest king who was ruler of the Tarsis. He gave the gift of frankincense, which is a very sweet spice, which means prayer. King Balthazar was the king of Ethiopia. He presented myrrh, a resin from a thorny tree, which meant suffering or is symbolic of Christ's approaching sacrifice.

### EL DÍA DE LOS REYES MAGOS

La fiesta de los Tres Reyes es celebrada anualmente el 6 de enero. En algunos países de Europa es conocida por las pequeñas Navidades o "el Día de los Tres Reyes Magos." Este día se celebra en Europa y en las Islas Caribeñas. Los niños esperan ansiosos este día para recibir juguetes y golosinas.

Los Tres Reyes también son llamados los Tres Reyes Magos. Ellos siguieron una estrella brillante que los guió hacia Belén y al Niño Jesús. Ellos le trajeron regalos al Niño y lo adoraron como "El Nuevo Rey." El Niño solo tenía doce días de nacido y por eso el Día de los Tres Reyes Magos se celebra el 6 de enero.

Los Tres Reyes Magos se llaman, Melchor, Gaspar y Balthazar. Melchor fue el mayor de los tres Reyes y fue el Emperador de Arabia. El le presentó al Niño Jesús con el regalo de oro, que significa amor. El Rey Gaspar fue el Rey más joven y fue el Rey de Tarsis. El le trajo el regalo de incienso, que es una especia muy dulce que significa oración. El Rey Balthazar fue el Rey de Etiopía. El le presentó mirra, que es un líquido muy oloroso extraído de un árbol y esto representaba sufrimiento o sacrificio.

### "Feast of the Three Kings"

#### Program

#### Invocation

Father Lorenzo Gomez  
St. Michael Church

172 Broadway - Newark, New Jersey

#### Opening Remarks

Councilman Luis A. Quintana  
Chairman of Event

Mistress of Ceremony  
Wanda Nieves

HAPPY NEW YEAR  
"2003"  
FELIZ AÑO NUEVO



### Performances

(Not in any specific order)



NJN Images / Imágenes Hispanic Youth  
Showcase Winner  
Carly Valentin

"Kenia"

Luis Munoz Marin School Choir

Grupo Batey Borincano

Wanda Nieves  
Cidra Inc., Group  
Keilly Burgos  
Christian Nieves  
Noralee Orenge  
Jazmin Ramos  
Richard Garcia  
Tyme Ragine  
Jose Luis Hernandez  
Mio Sotis  
(to sign autographs)  
Plena Dulce Group  
La Sensacion Band  
Dana Margaret Ortiz



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Miriam Santiago, Stage Coordinator  
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